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SmartBoard Edu 599-Y

Reflection Paper

I have had a SmartBoard in my classroom for the last 3 years. I have only used it as a tool to show my students my notes, power-points, and on line copy of our texts, and to show other students through synchroneyes, what a student is doing. It was just as you said, that if we weren’t using the interactive capabilities, we might just as use a projector and white board. I did not use it for the features available.

We did have a quick ½ day introduction to some of the features of the Smart Board when we first received them. I did not spend any time investigating these features. This really caused us to forget anything we have seen.

From your class, I definitely will be able to use interactive notebook features of the SmartBoard in my classroom. My students were not able to come to the SmartBoard and use the interactive capabilities and participate in them. We are a one to one laptop school and all students have a laptop to use in all classes. I can now see how I can send all the students some of these activities and all are able to participate in them individually.

I have used Word and Power-Points to communicate with my students. I have seen Notebook before, but I did not use it. In your workshop I have learned tools that notebook has, which I knew was there, but did not spend enough time with them. Notebook is very much like power-points, but with way more interactive capabilities.

One of the biggest things I have learned and like in your class was the use of color. Color in objects, texts, background, and in the capability of changing color for coverage and interactions. The locking and grouping together, and much more are also valuable, as well as the many list of tools and images that can be used in these activities.

I thought the workshop was great and plan on using the things learned, in my classroom activities.